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SUBJECT ITALY RECOGNIZES PRG

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1. THE ITALIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY MAY 13 ISSUED A PRESS STATE-
MENT ANNOUNCING AN EXCHANGE OF NOTES WITH PRG REPRESENTATIVES
IN PARIS CONCERNING SOUTH VIETNAMESE PROPERTY IN ITALY. IN
ITS STATEMENT THE MFA NOTED THAT "THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES AMOUNTS
TO RECOGNITION BY ITALY OF THE PROVISIONAL REVOLUTIONARY GOV-
ERNMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM."

2. THE MFA HAS RECEIVED A TELEGRAM FROM THE PRG MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, SENT FROM HANOI, ASKING THE ITALIANS TO
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PROTECT SOUTH VIETNAMESE PROPERTY IN ITALY AND DESIGNATING

THE NORTH VIETNAMESE EMBASSY IN ROME TO REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF THE PRG. THE NORTH VIETNAMESE CHARGE IN ROME HAS MADE A SIMILAR APPROACH TO THE PROTOCOL SECTION OF THE MFA.

3. THE ORIGINAL CONTACT WITH THE ITALIANS BY THE PRG REPRESENTATIVE IN PARIS (REFTEL) DID NOT MAKE REFERENCE TO THE NORTH VIETNAMESE LOOKING AFTER THEIR INTERESTS. IN LIGHT OF THIS, IN THEIR NOTE TO THE PRG EMBASSY IN PARIS THE ITALIANS HAVE ASKED THEM TO CONFIRM THE IDENTITY OF THE PARTY WHO HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH THIS RESPONSIBILITY. VOLPE

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